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PETITION OF THE CITY OF EAST CHICAGO,)	
INDIANA FOR AUTHORITY TO ISSUE)	
BONDS, NOTES, OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS)	
FOR AUTHORITY TO INCREASE ITS RATES)	CAUSE NO. 44826
AND CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICE, AND)	*
FOR APPROVAL OF NEW SCHEDULES OF)	
WATER RATES AND CHARGES.)	*)

STIPULATION TO PROCEDURAL MATTERS IN LIEU OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Petitioner, the City of East Chicago, Indiana ("Petitioner"), and the Office of Utility Consumer Counselor ("OUCC") stipulate to the following procedural matters in lieu of a prehearing conference in this matter.

- Petitioner prefiled the testimony and evidence constituting its case-in-chief on August 4, 2016.
- 2. The OUCC and any intervenors will prefile the testimony and evidence constituting their respective cases-in-chief on or before November 18, 2016. Any field hearing set in this Cause should take place in advance of pre-filing by the OUCC and any intervenors; as such, the parties respectfully suggest any scheduled field hearing occur no later than three weeks before the deadline for filing the OUCC's case-in-chief, or October 28, 2016.
- Petitioner will prefile its rebuttal testimony and evidence on or before December
 2016.
- 4. The parties will make best efforts to submit any settlement and supporting testimony sufficiently in advance of the final evidentiary hearing.
- 5. Petitioner has already filed the workpapers supporting its case-in-chief. When prefiling technical evidence in this proceeding, the parties shall file their workpapers within two business days.

- 6. The final evidentiary hearing is expected to take one day, and the parties propose that it be scheduled for January 17 or 18, 2017.
- 7. Discovery shall be informal, and responses and/or objections shall be served within ten (10) calendar days of receipt. Upon the filing of the OUCC's case-in-chief, discovery turnaround shall be five (5) business days. Discovery received after noon on a Friday shall be deemed received the following business day.
- 8. The test year to be used for this proceeding shall be the twelve months ended.

 December 31, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

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